assistance to Maharashtra for the year 2006-07 for development of infrastructural facilities is separately under process.

Bench of Cuttack High Court

†2014. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether mass movement is going on for a Bench of Cuttack High Court in western region of Orissa; and

(b) if so, the details of Government's plan to set up this Bench?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) The Government of India is not aware of any such movement.

(b) The proposal for setting up of a Bench of a High Court is considered on receipt of a complete proposal from the State Government in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court. However, no such proposal has been received.

Strength of judges in Chhattisgarh High Court

†2015. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the sanctioned strength of judges in Chhattisgarh High Court;

(b) the number of vacancies which have been filled up;

(c) the proposal for the creation of new posts; and

(d) the action being taken for their speedy disposal keeping in view the number of pending cases in the Hon'ble High Court of Chhattisgarh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) The sanctioned strength of the Chhattisgarh High Court is 8 Judges.

(b) There is no vacancy on the Bench of the High Court.

(c) Currently, there is no proposal to create any additional post of Judge in the Chhattisgarh High Court.

(d) It is for the High Court to evolve methods and procedures for expeditious disposal of cases and reduction in pendency.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.